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SUBJECT: RISING EXPECTATIONS OFFER OPPORTUNITIES AMBASSADOR ANDREW YOUNG TELLS JAMAICAN AUDIENCE

THE U.S. AMBASSADOR TO THE UNITED NATIONS, ANDREW YOUNG, PAID A THREE AND ONE-HALF DAY, WEEKEND VISIT TO JAMAICA. ALTHOUGH THE VISIT WAS A PRIVATE ONE, AMBASSADOR YOUNG -- TOGETHER WITH THE U.S. AMBASSADOR TO JAMAICA, FREDERICK IRVING -- SPENT TWO AND ONE HALF HOURS, SHORTLY AFTER ARRIVAL FRIDAY, JUNE 23, IN TALKS WITH JAMAICA'S PRIME MINISTER, MICHAEL MANLEY. THE CONVERSATION, AMABASSADOR YOUNG TOLD REPORTERS, WAS A CONTINUATION OF ONE WHICH HE AND THE PRIME MINISTER HAD BEGUN A WEEK PREVIOUSLY IN PANAMA. AMONG THE SUBJECTS DISCUSSED, AMBASSADOR YOUNG TOLD THE PRESS, WAS "THE OVERALL SITUATION IN AFRICA--- THAT I'VE BEEN MOST INVOLVED IN." HE ALSO INDICATED THAT HE HAD BROUGHT THE PRIME MINISTER A MESSAGE THAT THE 7.S. UNDER-SECRETARY OF STATE FOR ECONOMICS AFFAIRS, RICHARD COOPER, WOULD BE COMING TO JAMAICA IN A COUPLE OF WEEKS "TO CONTINUE A DIALOGUE WHICH PRIME MINISTER MANLEY UNCLASSIFIED

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AND PRESIDENT CARTER BEGAN(IN PANAMA) ON THE NORTH-SOUTH ECONOMIC ISSUES."

ON SATURDAY EVENING, AMBASSADOR YOUNG WAS THE GUEST SPEAKER AT THE ANNUAL CONVENTION MEETING OF THE JAMAICA HOTEL AND TOURIST ASSOCIATION. INTRODUCED BY JAMAICA'S FOREIGN MINISTER, P.J. PATTERSON, WHOSE PORTFOLIO INCLUDES RESPONSIBILITY FOR TOURISM,

AMBASSADOR YOUNG TOOK AS THE THEME OF HIS ADDRESS, THE JAMAICAN NATIONAL MOTO. "OUT OF MANY, ONE PEOPLE."

"I THOUGHT," SAID AMABASSADOR YOUNG, "THAT WAS REALLY A NOTABLE EXAMPLE FOR THE ENTIRE WORLD. AND I OFTEN FELT THAT WHAT HAPPENED IN JAMAICA MIGHT WELL, IN MANY RESPECTS, HAVE AN IMPACT ON THE COURSE OF HISTORY THAT FAR SURPASSED THE SIZE OF THIS ISLAND, OR THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE, OR THE WEALTH, OR ANY OF THE PROBLEMS THAT YOU FACED FROM DAY TO DAY ..."

"WHAT YOU DID IN PULLING TOGETHER PEOPLE OF DIFFERING RACIAL AND CULTURAL TRADITIONS INTO ONE HOMOGENOUS NATION HAS NOW BEEN CHALLENGED TO GO ON UP A LITTLE HIGHER AND TO MOLD A NATIONAL CONSENSUS - A NEW JAMAICAN SPIRIT - WHICH IS NOT ONLY REPRESENTATIVE OF JAMAICA BUT WHICH IS INDICATIVE OF THE PROBLEMS OF JAMAICA THAT ARE EXPRESSED EVERY PLACE IN THE WORLD."

AMBASSADOR YOUNG POINTED OUT THAT THE U.S. IS STRUGGLING WITH MANY OF THE SAME ECONOMIC PROBLEMS WHICH ARE AFFLICTING JAMAICA - A CURRENCY DECLINING IN VALUE, AN EXTREMELY LARGE BALANCE OF

PAYMENTS DEFICIT, RISING NATIONAL DEBT, AND UNACCEPTABLY HIGH LEVELS OF UNEMPLOYMENT - EXPECIALLY AMONG THE YOUNG AND MINORITY GROUPS.

ALL OF THESE PROBLEMS ARE EXACERBATED, HE NOTED BY "A RISING TIDE OF EXPECTATIONS AND ASPIRATIONS ALL OVER THE WORLD. LINCLASSIFIED

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THAT MEANS THAT EVERYBODY ON THE FACE OF THIS GLOBE NOW KNOWS WHAT IT MEANS TO LIVE LIKE WE ARE LIVING HERE TONIGHT. THEY KNOW WHAT A DECENT STANDARD OF LIVING IS, AND THEY SEE IT DAY AFTER DAY ON TELEVISION ...

"THE VERY VISION OF LIFE AS IT IS PORTRAYED IN THE DAY TO DAY EXISTENCE ON A TELEVISION SET CREATES AN AWARENESS AND AN EXPECTATION THAT PEOPLE WANT TO LIVE UP TO ...

"SO THE KIND OF TENSION AND STRUGGLE THAT YOU ARE
TRYING TO COPE WITH HERE, WE HAVE BEEN AND ARE COPING WITH TO AN
EVEN GREATER EXTENT IN THE UNITED STATES. AND THE UPHEAVALS WE HAVE
EXPERIENCED IN THE UNITED STATES AND CERTAINLY THE UPHEAVALS IN
MANY OF THE WESTERN EUROPEAN NATIONS -- NOT TO MENTION AFRICA AND
ASIA -- FAR SURPASS ANY TENSION AND DISLOCATIONS THAT YOU HAVE EVER
KNOWN HERE."

AMBASSADOR YOUNG NOTED THAT DURING THE CIVIL RIGHTS
STRUGGLES OF THE 1960'S, HE HAD ACCOMPANIED MARTIN LUTHER KING ON
A NUMBER OF VISITS TO JAMAICA AND THEY HAD OBSERVED THEN THE GROWING
INTERDEPENDENCE OF LARGE NATIONS LIKE THE UNITED STATES AND SMALL
NATIONS LIKE JAMAICA IN WHAT MIGHT HAVE BEEN A PRESENTIMENT OF WHAT

HAS COME TO BE CALLED THE NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER.

BRINGING THAT OBSERVATION UP TO DATE AMBASSADOR YOUNG NOTED: "FOR YOU SEE, UNLESS WE FIND A WAY TO HELP YOU DEVELOP IN JAMAICA -- AND THE REST OF THE CARIBBEAN - IT IS GOING TO BE VERY HARD FOR US TO DEAL WITH A 30 BILLION DOLLAR TRADE DEFICIT ... WHAT WE HAVE SEEN DOMESTICALLY, IS THAT WHEN OUR ECONOMY HAS EXPANDED, AS IT EXPANDED DURING THE SIXTIES TO INCLUDE THE SOUTHERN PART OF THE UNITED STATES, IT CREATED AN ECONOMIC BOOM; ... IT ALL CAME ABOUT IN THE CONTEXT OF BREAKING DOWN BARRIERS OF RACE AND CLASS THAT PRODUCED SO MUCH AGONY IN OUR COUNTRY IN THE 1960S...

"BUT AS LONG AS BLACK PEOPLE AND WHITE PEOPLE WERE FIGHTING EACH OTHER IN THE OUTH THERE COULD BE NO DEVELOPMENT ... WHEN UNCLASSIFIED

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WE BEGAN TO DEAL WITH THE SOCIAL PROBLEMS, ECONOMIC TAKE-OFF WAS AN AUTOMATIC PHENOMENON. AND THE GROWTH REGION OF THE UNITED STATES IS THAT SOUTHERN PART OF THE UNITED STATES THAT EVEN ELECTED A PRESIDENT, A PHENOMENA THAT PEOPLE WOULD HAVE THOUGHT WAS IMPOSSIBLE UNTIL IT ACTUALLY HAPPENED.

"AND SO I SEE JAMAICA, AND JAMAICA'S PROBLEMS AS PRESENTING TO THE WORLD, AND TO JAMAICA, AND TO US, A TREMENDOUS OPPORTUNITY."

ON SUNDAY, AMBASSADOR AND MRS. YOUNG AND AMBASSADOR AND MRS. IRVING WERE THE GUESTS OF FOREIGN MINISTER PATTERSON AT A PRIVATE LUNCHEON IN MONTEGO BAY.

AMBASSADOR AND MRS. YOUNG RETURN TO NEW YORK AT NOON ON NOON MONDAY, JUNE, 26, 1978. SANDSTROM

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